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farm, or recover from a disaster or economic reversal. Loans with balloon installments:

- (i) Must have adequate security at the time the balloon installment comes due. Crops, livestock other than breeding stock, or livestock products produced are not adequate collateral for such loans;
- (ii) Are only authorized when the applicant can project the ability to refinance the remaining debt at the time the balloon payment comes due based on the expected financial condition of the operation, the depreciated value of the collateral, and the principal balance on the loan;
- (iii) Are not authorized when loan funds are used for real estate repairs or improvements.

§ 764.255 Security requirements.

An OL loan must be secured:

- (a) In accordance with $\S\S\,764.103$ through 764.106.
 - (b) Except for MLs. by a:
- (1) First lien on all property or products acquired or produced with loan funds:
- (2) Lien of equal or higher position of that held by the creditor being refinanced with loan funds.
 - (c) For MLs:
- (1) For annual operating purposes, loans must be secured by a first lien on farm property or products having a security value of at least 100 percent of the loan amount, and up to 150 percent, when available.
- (2) For loans made for purposes other than annual operating purposes, loans must be secured by a first lien on farm property or products purchased with loan funds and having a security value of at least 100 percent of the loan amount.
- (3) A lien on real estate is not required unless the value of the farm products, farm property, and other assets available to secure the loan is not at least equal to 100 percent of the loan amount.
- (4) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraphs (c)(1), (c)(2), and (c)(3) of this section, FSA will not require a lien on a personal residence.

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§764.301 Youth loan uses.

Youth loan funds may only be used to finance a modest, income-producing, agriculture-related, educational project while participating in 4-H, FFA, or a similar organization.

§ 764.302 Eligibility requirements.

The applicant:

- (a) Must comply with the general eligibility requirements established at §764.101(a) through (g);
- (b) And anyone who will sign the promissory note, must not have received debt forgiveness from the Agency on any direct or guaranteed loan;
- (c) Must be at least 10 but not yet 21 years of age at the time the loan is closed:
- (d) Must reside in a rural area, city or town with a population of 50,000 or fewer people;
- (e) Must be recommended and continuously supervised by a project advisor, such as a 4-H Club advisor, a vocational teacher, a county extension agent, or other agriculture-related organizational sponsor; and
- (f) Must obtain a written recommendation and consent from a parent or guardian if the applicant has not reached the age of majority under state law.

§ 764.303 Limitations.

- (a) The applicant must comply with the general limitations established at §764.102.
- (b) The total principal balance owed by the applicant to the Agency on all Youth loans at any one time cannot exceed \$5.000.

§ 764.304 Rates and terms.

- (a) *Rates*. (1) The interest rate is the Agency's Direct Operating Loan rate, available in each Agency office.
- (2) The limited resource Operating Loan interest rate is not available for Youth loans.